Proposal of the Central Trade Unons on DA slab System

1406. SHRI E. BALANANDAN:
SHRI M. A. BABY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision on the joint proposal of the Central Trade Unions regarding DA Slab System;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The proposal for introduction of slab rates of neutralisation under the IDA Scheme w.e.f. 1.1.1992 for the Central PSUs is under active consideration of the Government.

Tangible assets of Bharat Process and Mech. Engineers Ltd..

1407. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRIMATI CHANDRAKALA PANDEY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of tangible assets in the form of land of M/s Bharat Process and Mechanical Engineers Ltd. (BPMEL);

(b) whether there is a rental income of about Rs. 42 lacs per annum from the Head Office of BPMEL;

(c) whether it has technology collaboration with two foreign companies if so, the names of the companies and the area of collaboration; and

(d) whether the replacement and opportunity costs were evaluated by the operating agency or Government before taking a decision on its revival scheme; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The tangible assets in the form of land of Bharat Process and Mechanical Engineers Ltd. (BPMEL) are as follows:—

(i) Freehold land—12 Bighas, 10 Kathas, 11 Chattaks.

(ii) Leasehold land—4 Kathas, 13 Chattaks and 7 Sq. Feet.

In addition legal possession of 7 lakh sq. feet of land is yet to be taken over by BPMEL.

(b) The annual rental income from the BPMEL Head Office is Rs. 38.53 lakh.

(c) BPMEL had two technical collaborations with M/s. Aqua Engineering GMBH Austria for building of industrial waste water treatment plant and M/s. Larsen & D'Amico of Canada for manufacture of equipment for separation of gas and oil at wellheads. But these two technical collaboration have expired.

(d) The final decision in this respect is yet to be taken by BIFR.

Revival plan for instrumentation Ltd. Kota

1408. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRIMATI CHANDRAKALA PANDEY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Instrumentation Limited Kota has been referred to BIFR;

If so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Ministry have formulated any revival plan and submitted the same to BIFR; if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that land and share of Instrumentation Limited, Kota have been sold to a private party; if so, the details thereof and whether the same is being used for revival of Instrumentation Limited, Kota?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Instrumentation Limited, Kota has been referred to the Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) under the Sick Industries Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 as its net worth has become negative.

(b) The revival plan is under preparation by the Industrial Development Bank of India, the Operating Agency appointed by the BIFR for this purpose.

(c) No, Sir.

Purchase of products manufactured by MNCs

1409. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1486 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th August, 1994 and to state:

(a) the details of the norms and stadards laid down under BIS for detergents, cleaning and washing powders;

(b) whether Farishta's "CADET" brand cleaning powder (small scale industry product) satisfies the norms and standards and the same is available for sale in the Super Bazar and the Kendriya Bhandar;

(c) if so, the resons for Government Departments not purchasing this product which is exclusively reserved for the small scale sector and is cheaper in price; and

(d) the steps taken to give directions to Goverment departments to purchase this product in preference to "VIM" of Hindustan Lever which is a product of multinational company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) BIS specification on Detergent, Washing and cleaning powders are as follows:—

(i) IS 4955/1993	Household laundry detergent powder (3rd revision)
(ii) IS 4956/1977	Synthetic detergent for industrial purposes (1st revision)
(iii) IS 6047/1970	Scouring powders.
(iv) IS 9458/1994	Synthetic detergent for washing woollen and other delicate fabrics.
(v) IS 8180/1992	Household laundry detergent bars (2nd revision).
(vi) IS 11601/(Pt.. I)/1986	Methods of safety evaluation of synthetic detergents: Part I Methou of test for irritant potential of synthetic detergents.
(vii) IS 11601 (Pt. 2)/1992	Methods of safety evaluation for synthetic detergents: Part 2 Method of test for skin sensitization potential of synthetic detergents (Guinea pig maximization test).